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PASSENGER TERMINAL PLAN FOR PALOMAR AIRPORT TO BE UNVEILED

New Terminal Building, Concession Area, Restaurant, Public Parking Included

County Airports officials Thursday will unveil their concept for a new terminal building and other improvements at McClellan-Palomar Airport in Carlsbad. The initial plan calls for an 18,000- square-foot terminal and new public automobile parking.

The terminal replaces a small structure that has been in place since 1960. The new terminal will include airline ticket counters, baggage area, security screening facility, concession area, and a 2,200 square foot restaurant. A new parking lot includes spaces for more than 700 cars.

Officials will present the concept at a meeting of the Palomar Airport Advisory Committee meeting 7 p.m. Thursday, July 20 in the Carlsbad City Council Chambers, 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive. The public is invited.

Palomar Airport opened in 1960 as a small general aviation facility to replace the Del Mar Airport. Commercial service began in 1991 and today America West Express and United Express fly thousands of passengers to Phoenix and Los Angeles each year.

The exact cost of the terminal and other improvements depends on final design. Officials believe it will be between \$12 and \$16 million.

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